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8831 Stephens Road Laurel vicinity Private

Description:

The house sits on the east side of the road and faces west toward the road. It is a 1 ½-story, three-bay by two-bay frame structure with a CMU foundation, vinyl faux shingle siding, and a gable roof with a north-south ridge and asphalt shingles. On the west elevation, the first story has an enclosed porch with jalousie windows. Behind the windows is a centered door with one window to each side, but all of the sash in the house are new. There is a gabled dormer in the center. The south elevation has a modern addition that covers most of it. The house has two rooms to the front and two rooms and a stair in the back that has a straight run, divided the east rooms, and ascends to the west. The front door enters into the southwest room. The house has been heavily vandalized.

Significance:

The house at 8831 Stephens Road is a hybrid Bungalow/Cape Cod. The front porch, which was enclosed at a later date, does not have the same pitch as the main block of the house, the way most but not all bungalows would, and it is not clear whether it was original or a later addition. There is a single dormer that is smaller than that found on most bungalows, but the typical Cape Cod would have two dormers. It was probably constructed in the 1930s-50s. The location of the stairway, dividing the rear rooms rather than the front ones, is unusual. This house has been remodeled and vandalized, and is in the process of being demolished.

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	Property	(indicate preferred	iame)		
historic					
other					
2. Location					
street and number	8831 Stephens	Road		:	not for publication
city, town	Laurel			2	X_ vicinity
county	Howard				
3. Owner of	Property	(give names and mailing	g addresses of all owners)	
name	ETC Partnersh	ip			
street and number	10272 Baltimo	re National Pike		telephone	410-461-2855
city, town	Ellicott City		state MD	zip code	21042-3670
courthouse, registr	y of deeds, etc.	Howard County Courthouse	liber	9674 folio 3	
city, town	Ellicott City	tax map 47	tax parcel 137		D number
Deter Deter Reco Histor Other	mined Eligible for mined Ineligible for rded by HABS/HA ric Structure Repo	in Local Historic District the National Register/Maryla or the National Register/Mary NER ort or Research Report at MH	land Register		
6 Classifica	ition				
6. Classifica	Ownership	Current Function		Resource	

7. Description

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Condition

	excellent	deteriorated
	good	ruins
X	fair	altered

Prepare both a one paragraph summary and a comprehensive description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

Summary:

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Description:

The house at 8831 Stephens Road is located about one mile north of Laurel in southeastern Howard County, Maryland. The house sits on the east side of the road and faces west toward the road. It is a 1 ½-story, three-bay by two-bay frame structure with a CMU foundation, vinyl faux shingle siding, and a gable roof with a north-south ridge and asphalt shingles. On the west elevation, the first story has an enclosed porch with jalousie windows. Behind the windows is a centered door with one window to each side, but all of the sash in the house are new. There is a gabled dormer in the center, with one new sash. The south elevation has a modern addition that covers most of it, with a full-size window in the gable end. The north elevation has paired sash to the east, a small new sash of six lights to the west, and the gable end has a full size new sash. There is a small laundry room addition to the east. The east elevation has new French doors to the south and the laundry room to the north. There is a skylight on the roof. There is a large modern wood deck added to the back of the house, and the house has been heavily vandalized.

Though the enclosure to the porch is modern, the door in the porch may be moved and reused. There is wood-shingle siding on the original exterior west wall. The house has two rooms to the front and two rooms and a stair in the back, and the front door enters into the southwest room. This room has linoleum on the floor and a wide opening on the east wall leading to the southeast room. All of the windows have new architrave, and the door architrave is plain with bulls-eye corner blocks. The doors are either missing or have been replaced. The northwest room has a modern kitchen with new hardwood flooring and new architrave. The east wall of this kitchen has been opened up. The east rooms have no historic features, other than the straight run of stairs which divided them and ascend to the west. The stairs have a square newel post and square balusters, and a rectangular handrail with a pyramidal top. Both walls of the stairs have vertical bead-board siding. The second story is one large space with a later enclosure at the north end that contains a bathroom. The walls are horizontal bead-board, and there is plaster on the ceiling. The east wall has built-in drawers that extend into the eave area and are made of plywood. The

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rafters are dimensional 2 by 6s, and there is circular-sawn lath and plaster. The modern addition on the south side is a separate apartment.

There is a modern barn to the rear of the property that has a gambrel roof, T1-11 siding, dimensional lumber, and plywood floors.

8. Signific	ance			Inventory No. HO-996
Period	Areas of Significance	Check and j	ustify below	
1600-1699 1700-1799 1800-1899 X_ 1900-1999 2000-	agriculture archeology X architecture art commerce communications community planning conservation	 economics education engineering entertainment/ recreation ethnic heritage exploration/ settlement 	health/medicine industry invention landscape architecture law literature maritime history military	performing arts philosophy politics/government religion science social history transportation other:
Specific dates	N/A		Architect/Builder N/A	
Construction da	c. 1930s-50s			
Evaluation for:				
-	National Register	N	Maryland Register	Xnot evaluated

Prepare a one-paragraph summary statement of significance addressing applicable criteria, followed by a narrative discussion of the history of the resource and its context. (For compliance projects, complete evaluation on a DOE Form – see manual.)

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9. Major Bibliographical References

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10. Geographical Data

Acreage of surveyed property 3.52 A 3.52 A Acreage of historical setting Quadrangle name Savage

Quadrangle scale: 1:24000

Verbal boundary description and justification

The boundaries consist of the property lines for tax map 47, parcel 137, which includes all of the historic resources on the site.

11. Form Prepared by

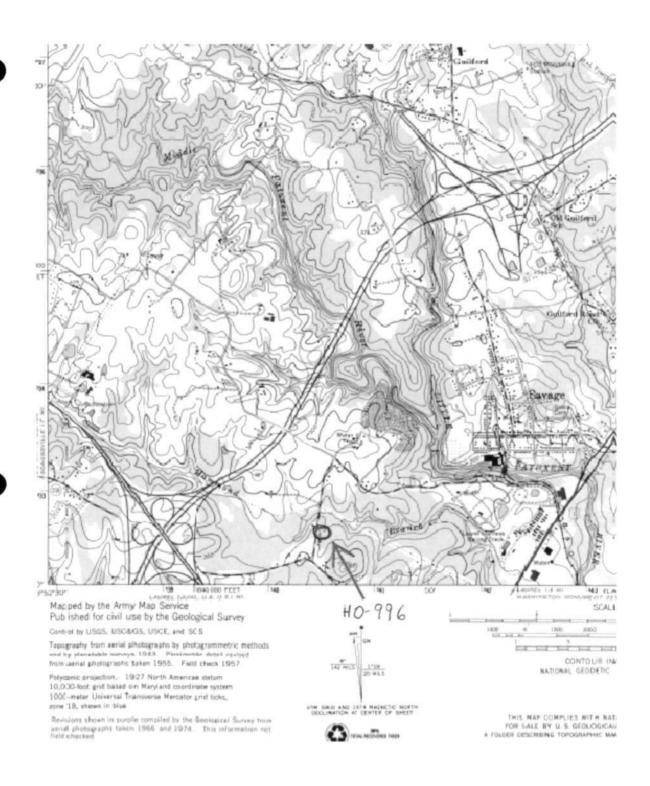
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organization	Howard County Department of Planning & Zoning	date	September 2009	
street & number	3430 Courthouse Drive	telephone	410-313-4335	
city or town	Ellicott City	state	Maryland	

The Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 supplement.

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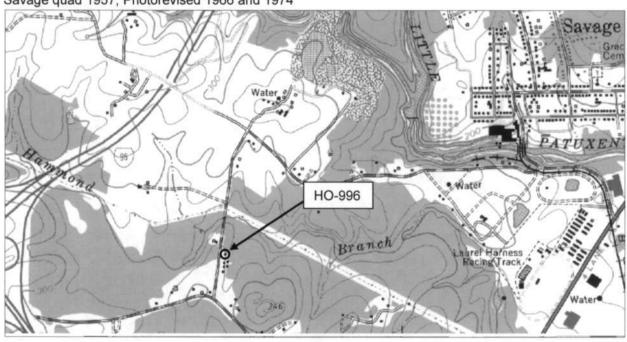
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8831 Stephens Road Savage quad

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Early 1990s Infrared Aerial Photo

National Web Map Service 6" Orthophoto Map, c. 2007-08



8831 Stephens Road Howard County, Maryland Ken Short, photographer

Photo Log
Nikon D-70 camera
HP Premium Plus paper
HP Gray Photo print cartridge

HO-0996_2009-07-07_01 West & southwest elevations

HO-0996_2009-07-07_02 East elevation

HO-0996_2009-07-07_03 Interior, stairway, view south

HO-0996_2009-07-07_04 Interior, second story, view west



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